APS Networking

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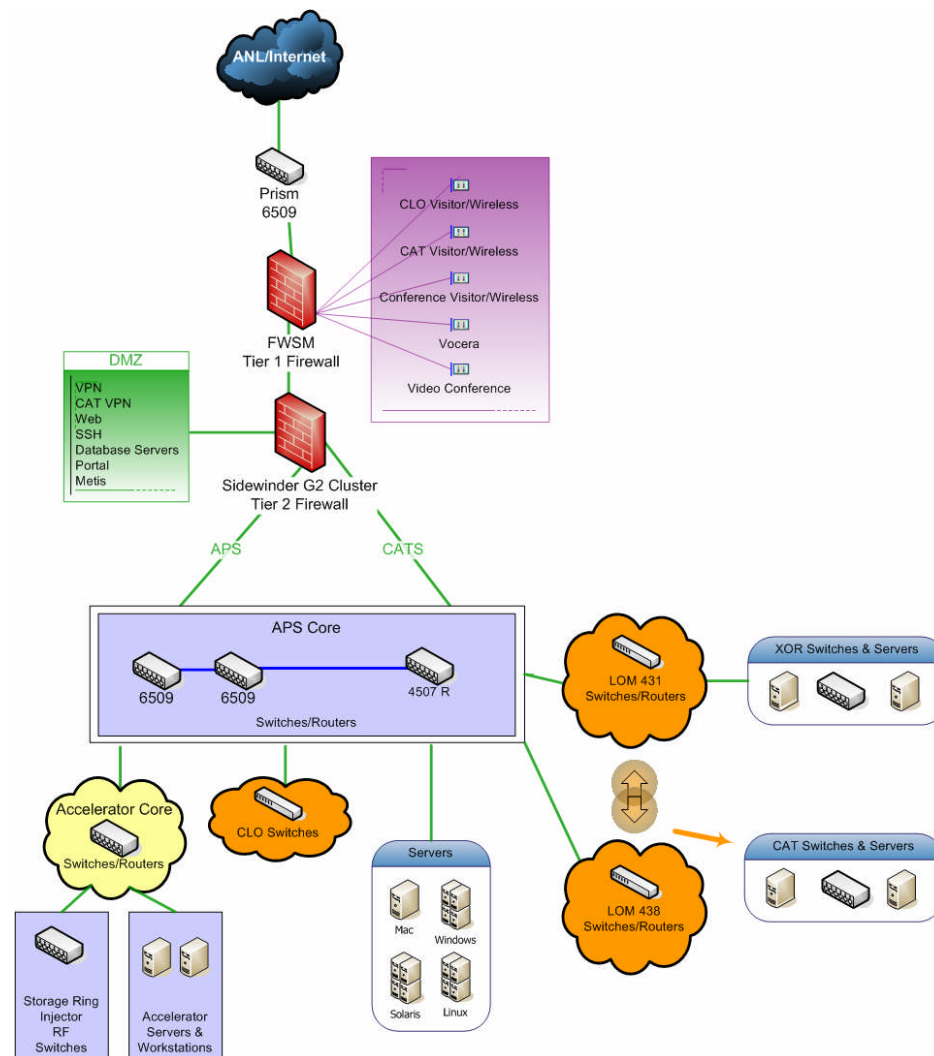# APS Network Infrastructure

- IT designs, installs and maintains the network for APS including:

  - Accelerator network: Storage Ring, Injector and RF
  - 400 EAA
  - 401 CLO
  - 402 Conference Center
  - LOMs 431 – 438
  - 460 AGH
  - Bldg 300 area
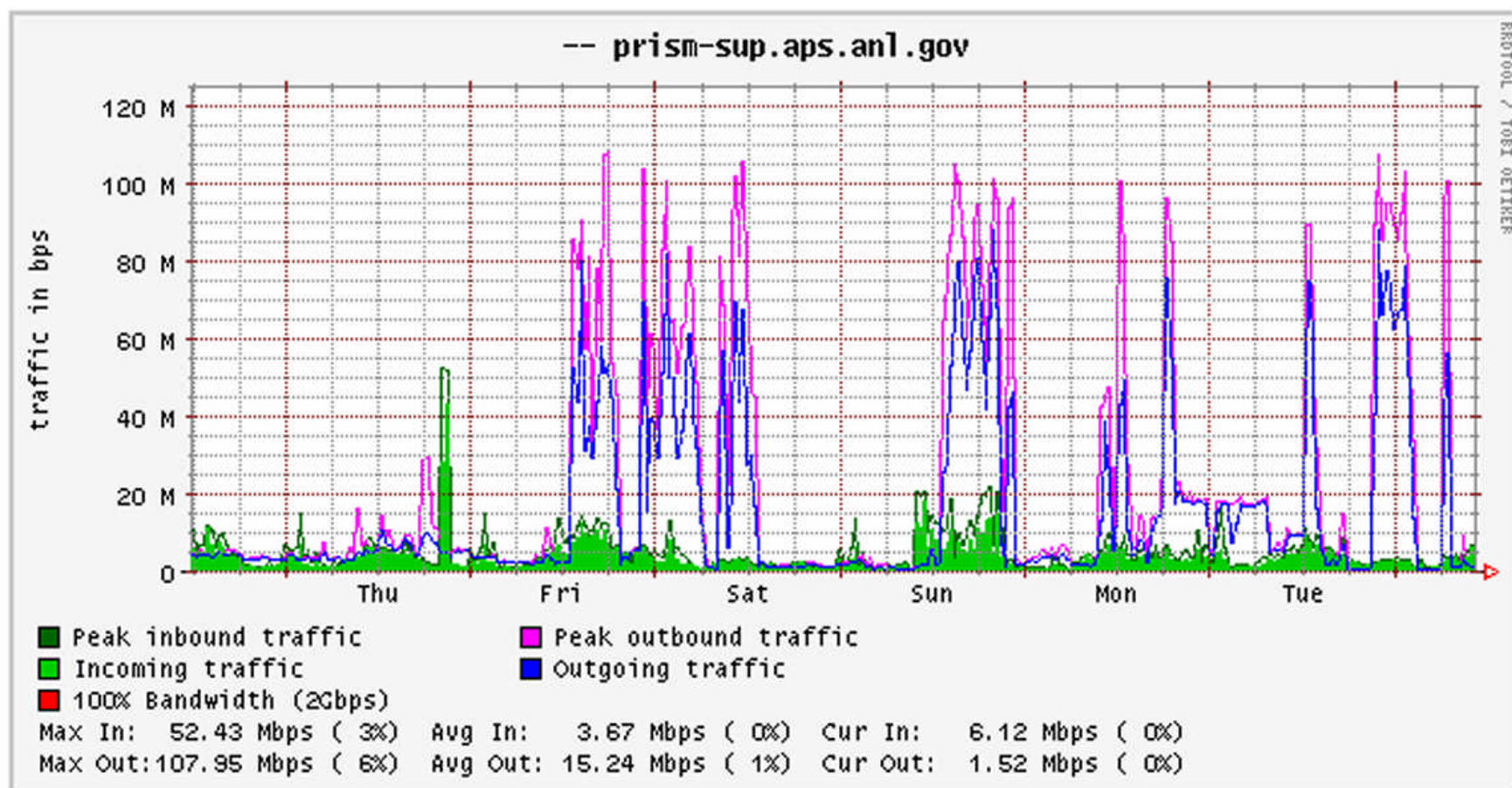 - Bldg 450
  - Wireless Service

APS Network Infrastructure continued

- APS - 4500 nodes
  - 45 switches/routers
  - 20 subnets

- Beamlines - 4200 nodes
  - 20 switches/routers
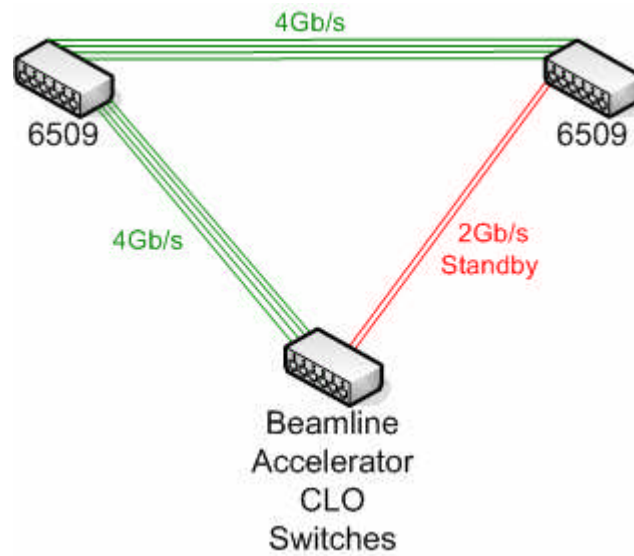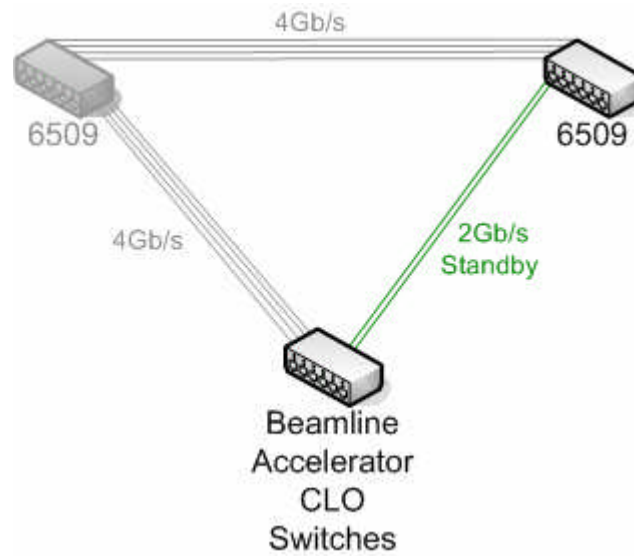 - 55 subnets

APS Network

APS Network Switches

■ Cisco's switches/routers set standard for high-end LAN switching

- High Availability/Redundancy - stateful switchover
- Hot swappable modular components - in house spares
- Firmware upgrades - almost no downtime
- Online diagnostics
- IT scripts provide daily port error reports - Irmis
- Same management tools for all Cisco switches
- Follow Best Practices from Cisco

Network Redundancy

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Wireless Access Points

CLO	28
Beamlines	56
Conference Areas	6
Guest House	12
TOTAL	**102**

Wireless Speed Capabilities

- All Access Points support 802.11b and 802.11g wireless clients
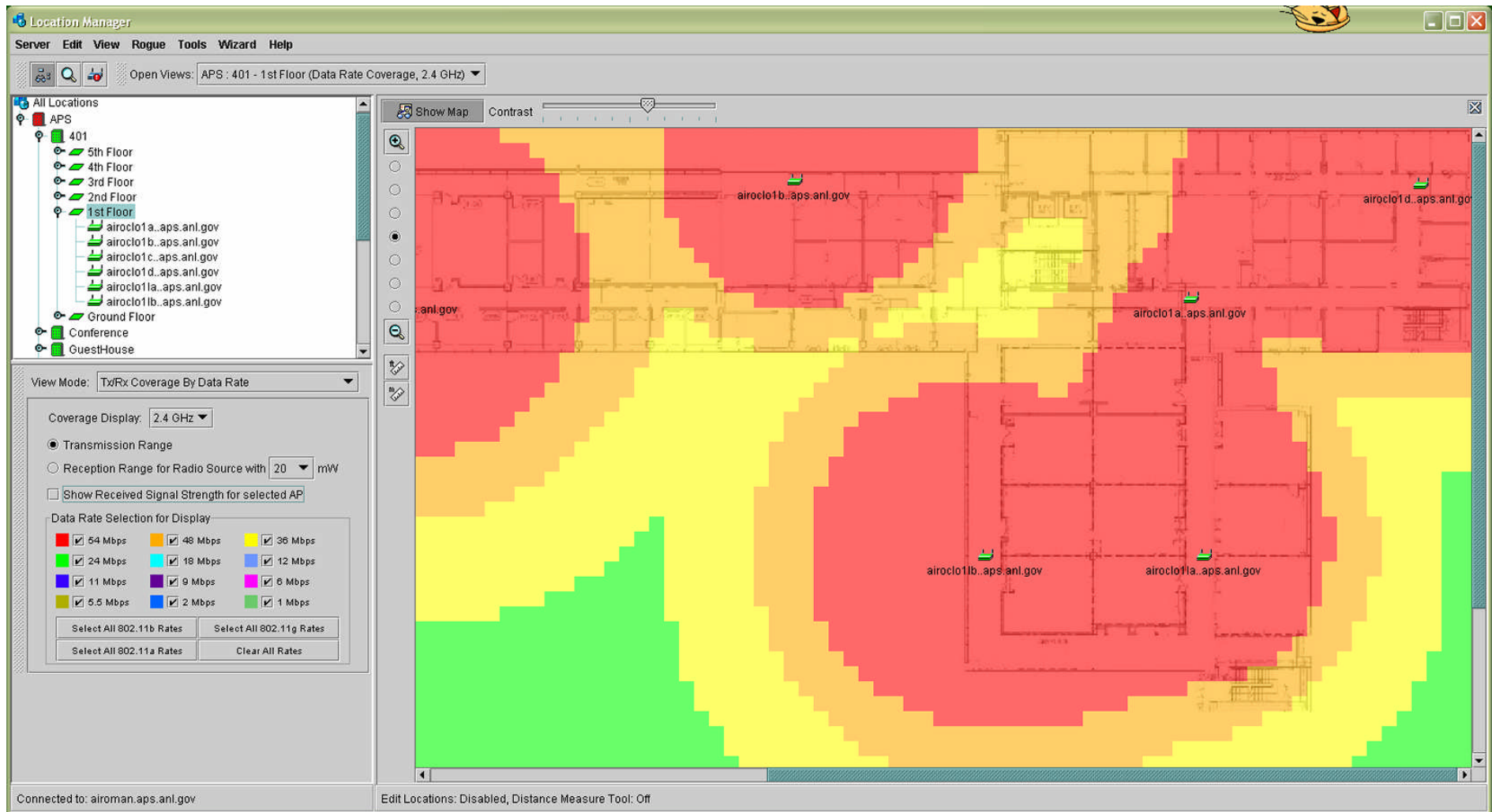
802.11b

- Supports older wireless clients
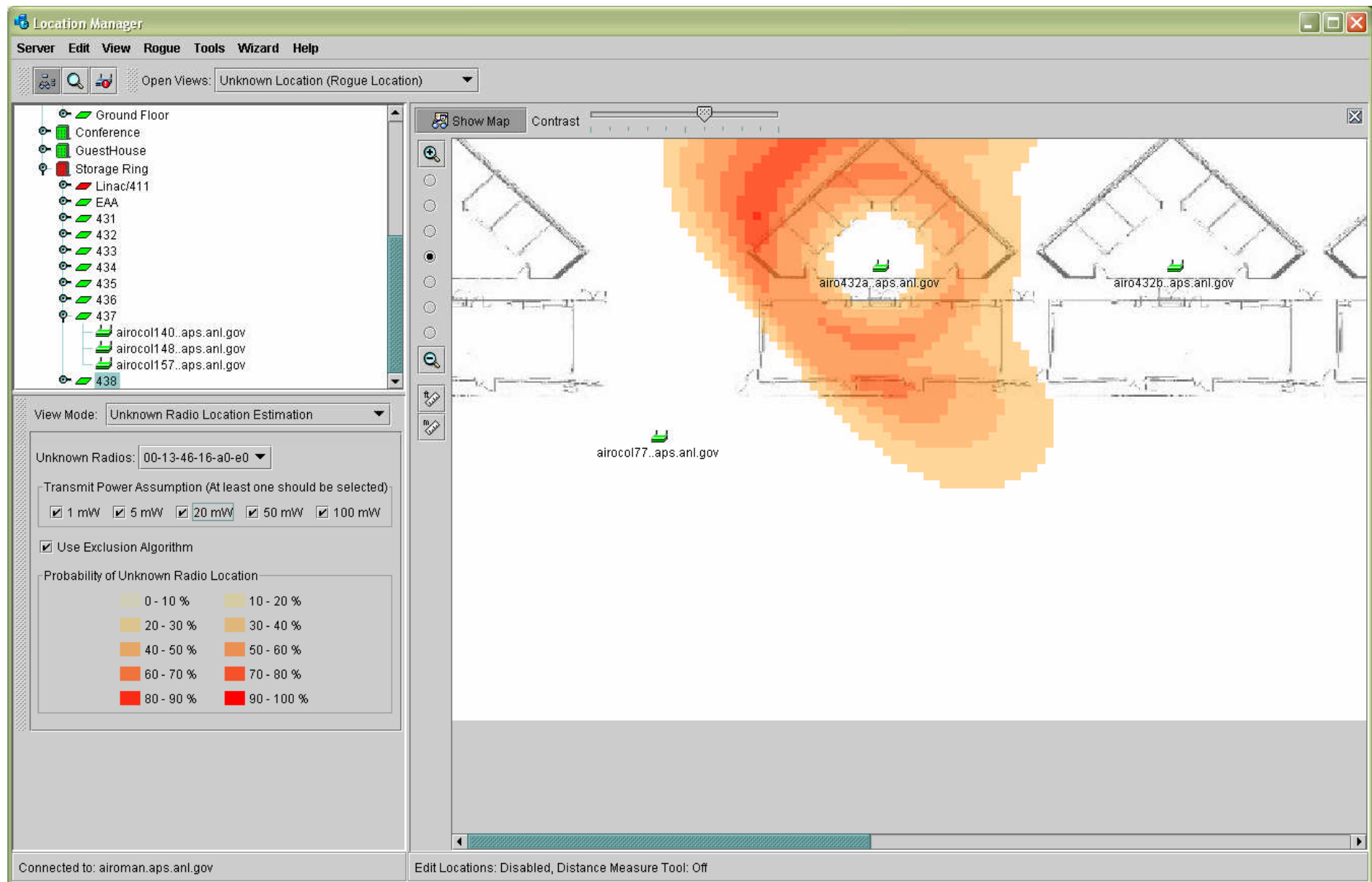- Speeds up to 11 Mbps

802.11g

- Standard on new laptops
- Speeds up to 54 Mbps

Cisco Wireless LAN Solution Engine

- The CiscoWorks WLSE is a centralized, systems-level application for managing and controlling an entire Wireless LAN infrastructure.

- Offers centralized management of wireless access points
- Detects, locates and mitigates rogue access points
- Monitors performance and faults
- Detects RF interference
- Automatically optimizes radio coverage and settings
- Self healing

Cyber Security

- Firewalls

- Anti-Spam

- URL filtering

- Network blocking

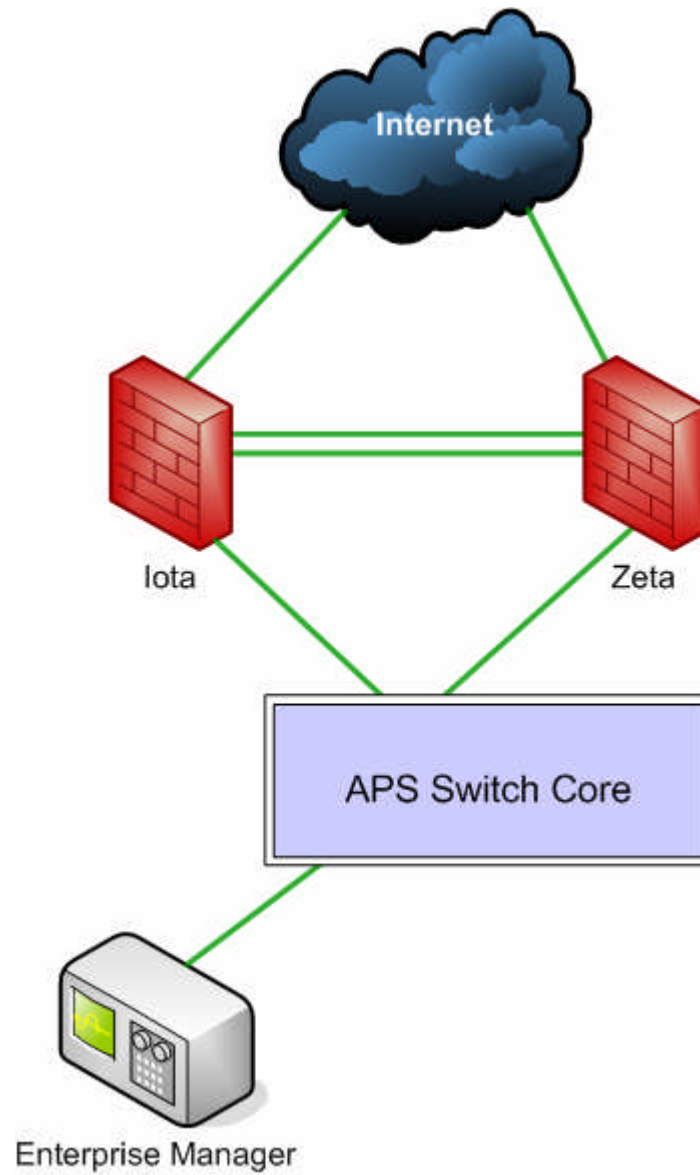# Cyber Security Tier 1 and Tier 2 Firewalls - Defense in Depth

■ Tier 1 - Cisco FWSM

  – High availability/reliability

  – Layer 3 only protection - minimal security

  – Visitor/Wireless - permit only outbound communication

  – Protects Tier 2 firewall from attacks on common protocols

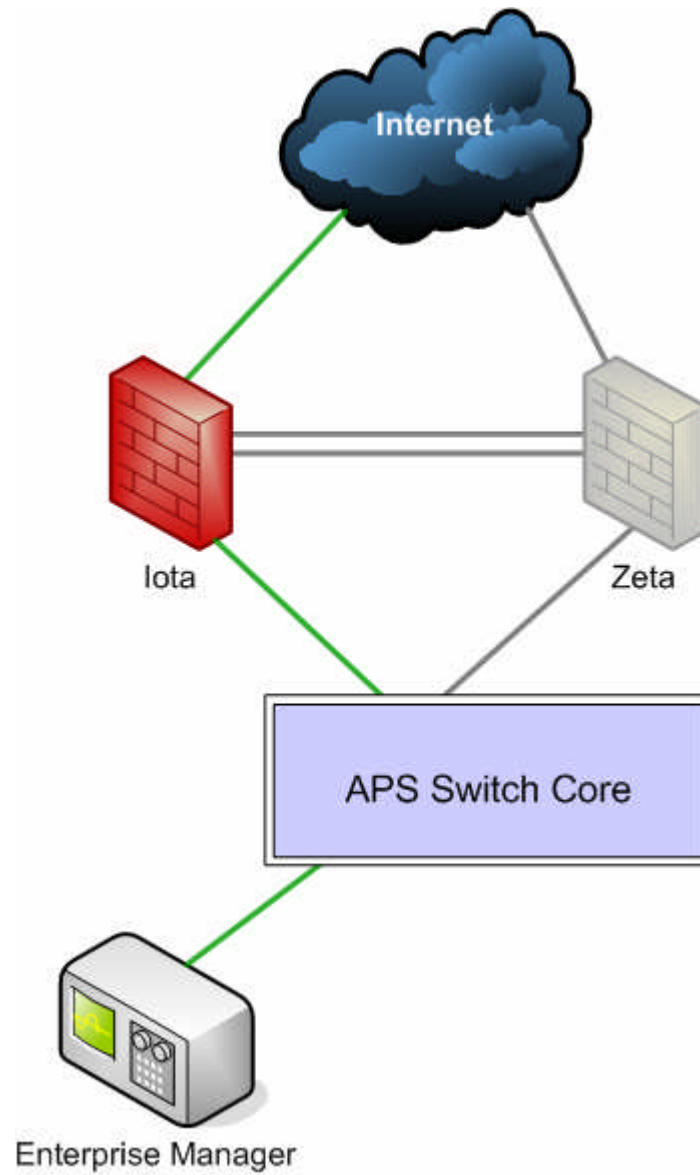 – Efficient for adding shuns/blocks to network

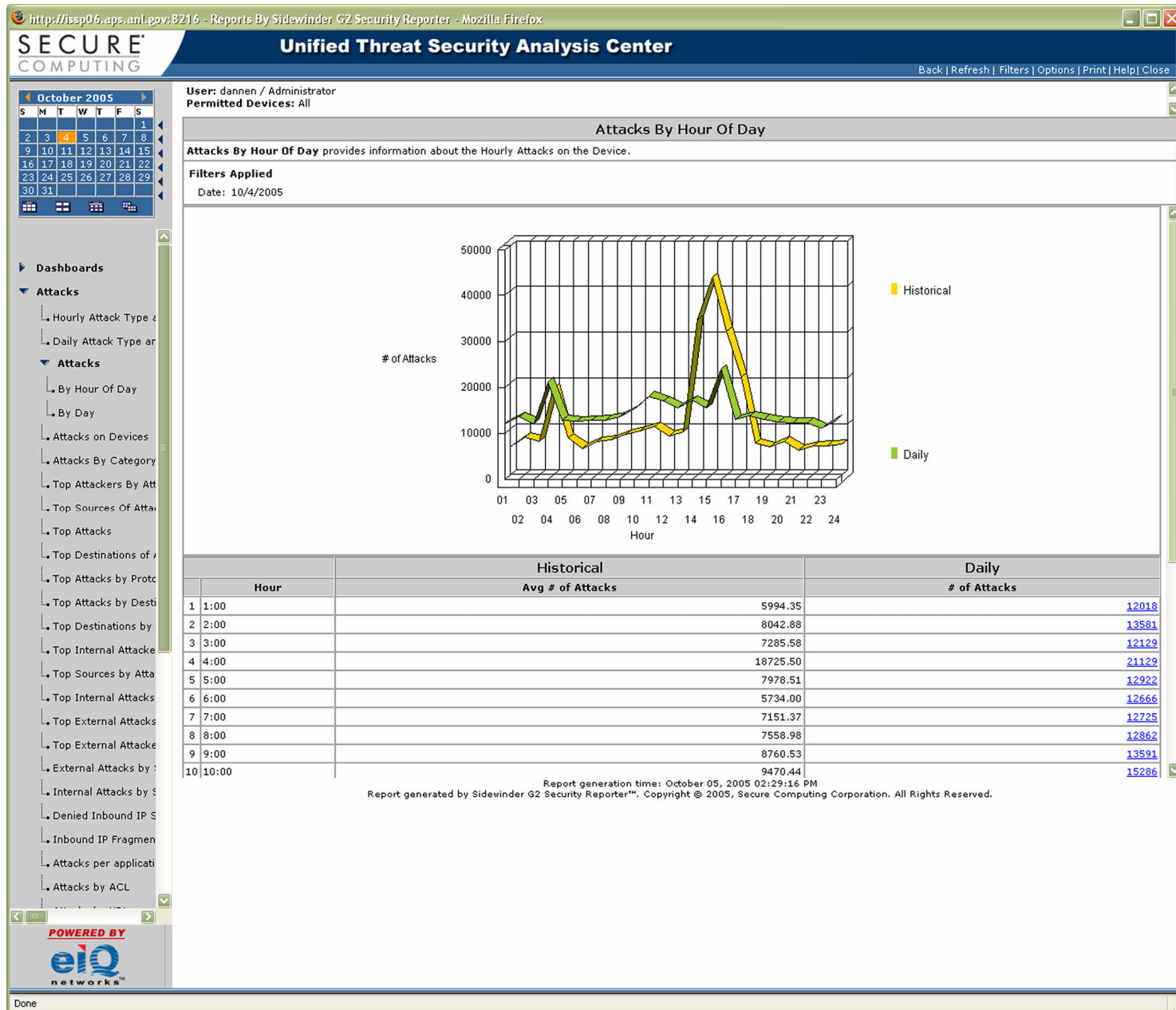# Cyber Security Tier 1 and Tier 2 Firewalls - Defense in Depth continued

■ Tier 2 - Secure Computing SideWinder G2
  – Most comprehensive gateway security appliance in the world
  – Only firewall that has never had a CERT advisory posted against it in over 10 years
  – Same firewall used by military, CIA, FBI and NSA
  – Layer 3 through Layer 7 protection
  – Protocol anomaly detection; traffic anomaly protection
  – Embedded anti-spam and anti-virus engines
  – Smartfilter URL Filtering
  – SecureOS operating system with patented Type Enforcement technology
  – HA Pair fully redundant hardware and network connections
  – Patches install with little or no down time
  – Protection both inbound and outbound
  – Central firewall management
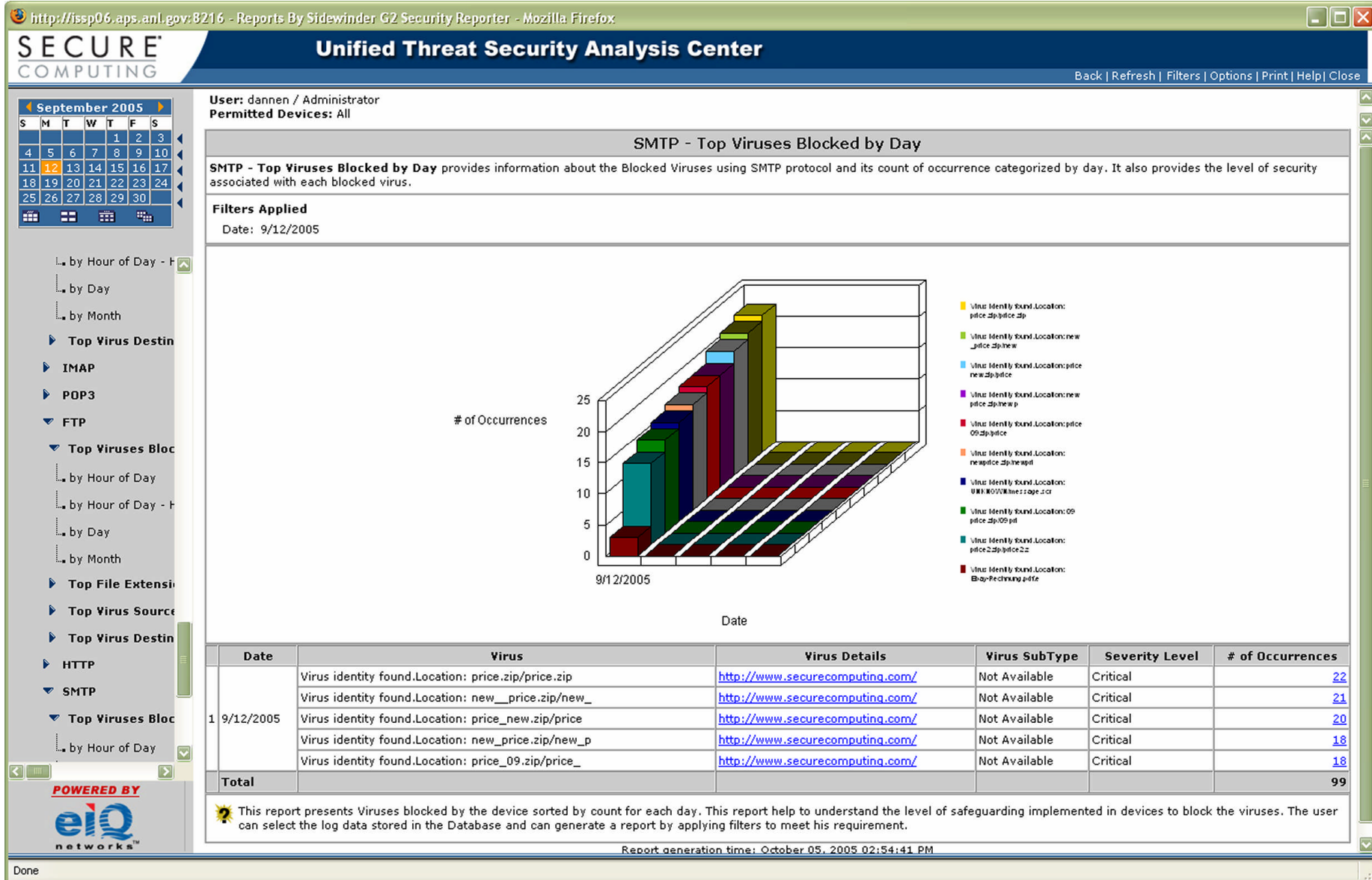
Active-Active Pair

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Tier 3 Firewall for CATs

- Beamline routers have ACLs to protect Beamlines from infecting one another.

- Each Beamline has their own list of rules.

- Logs are reviewed daily for intrusion attempts.

Web URL Filtering

- Smartfilter from Secure Computing built into SideWinder firewall.

- Best web coverage and protection in the industry.

- Provides database of millions of blockable web sites in over 70 categories.

- Blocks Spyware and Phishing web sites.

- Increase productivity and preserve bandwidth for business-related activities.

- SmartReporter provides real time reports of web activity.
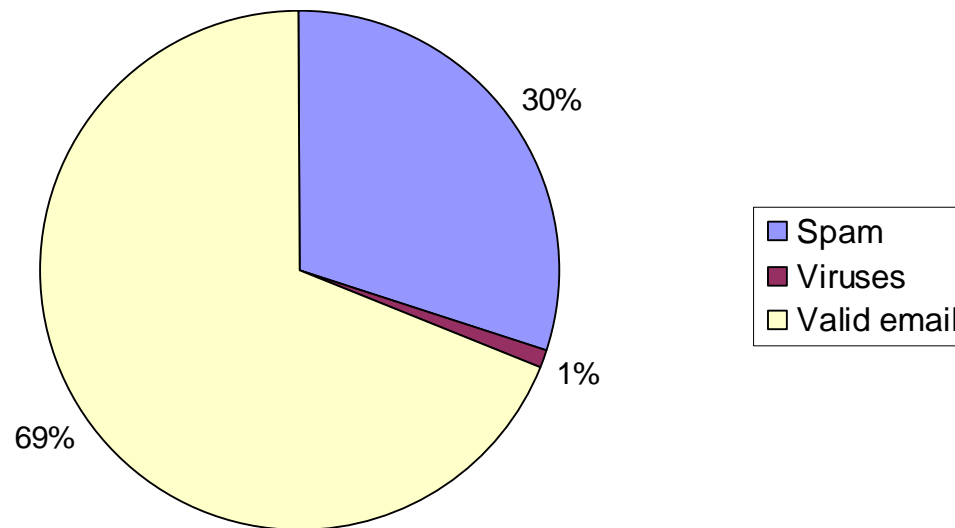
Automated Network Blocking

- IT scripts scan firewall and switch data logs looking for suspicious network activity.

- Intrusion Detection System monitors network traffic looking for known virus signatures.

- Blocks are then added automatically to protect our network from intrusion.

- Beamline CSPRs are notified immediately via email when blocks are added.

- 100-400 network blocks are issued each day.

Anti Spam

■ Email is scanned using two different spam detection programs.

■ Customized spam filter rules are added daily by IT.

■ Spam logs are reviewed three times a day for false positives.

Mail Stats

- APS processes between 15,000 and 20,000 emails a day.
- 20% to 30% of all email is detected as spam, 3000-5000 emails.
- Anti-virus signatures are updated hourly.
- Virus infected email varies from 50 to 200 a day.

30%

1%

69%

- Spam
- Viruses
- Valid email

IT Networking Challenges

- Interrupt driven
    - Daily hacker intrusion attempts
    - Resolve network problems that occurred overnight
    - Walk-ins, phone calls and help desk cases
    - Assist members of IT group to resolve problems

- Who do we serve first?

- How long should a user wait without network connectivity?

- Enhancements, upgrades and new services are very difficult to complete with limited manpower.

- Daily network monitoring and user assistance is delayed to complete these tasks.